

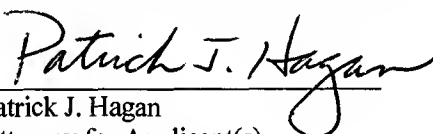
THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
: Examiner: Charanit Aulakh
Alexis PARENTY et al. :
: Group Art Unit: 1625
Application No. 10/580,898 :
: Atty Docket No.: 0380-P04091US00
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For: HETEROCYCLIC AROMATIC :
COMPOUNDS :

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a):

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of **THREE (3)** months beyond the time period set in the last Office Action. the Director is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$555.00 to cover this fee. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1406.


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**TRAVERSAL AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF
REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

Dear Sir:

The Official Action dated February 16, 2010 in the above-identified patent application requires restriction based on the examiner's assertion that the claims of this application are directed to three (3) separate, patentably distinct inventions, as set forth at pages 2-3 of the Official Action.

For the reasons stated below, applicants hereby traverse and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the present requirement for restriction at least with respect to the compounds represented by structural formulas A, Ai and Aii.

The restriction requirement in this case is plainly improper as it is contrary to the relevant provisions of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) pertaining to unity of invention determinations.